

Amendment to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 14-15 with the following amended paragraph:

The lead frame 8 shown in Fig. 2 implements the circuit shown in Fig. 1, with respective components and connections denoted with ~~equivilant~~ equivalent reference numbers marked by a slash (').

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 16-21 with the following amended paragraph:

The lead frame 8 shown in Fig. 2 incorporates a track 18' for connection with the positive supply voltage $+U_{BAT}$ and a track 20' for connection with the negative supply voltage $-U_{BAT}$. Furthermore, tracks 12', 14' and 16' are provided for connection with the phase windings U, V and W. Power transistors T1 to T6, 22' to 32' are electrically connected directly to lead frames 112, 114 and 116, the lead frames acting as a support component for the power transistors, thus minimizing resistance caused by additional cable wire lengths and plug or solder connections.

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 5 of the subject application with the following amended paragraph:

The arrangement of the lead frame illustrated in Fig. 2 has the advantage that the motor phase windings can be lead and connected to the lead frame along the shortest distance, thanks to the symmetrical distribution of the tracks 12', 14', ~~[[18']]~~ 16' and power transistors T1 to T6, 22' to 32', wherein current distribution within the lead frame is symmetrical, minimizing losses and ensuring uniform triggering of individual motor phases. The lead frame according to the invention thus ensures a uniform and low loss current distribution under absolutely symmetric conditions on both the tracks that carry high currents and on the power switching components without the use of any plug connections.